

EMOBENCH-UA: A Benchmark Dataset for Emotion Detection in Ukrainian

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Abstract

While Ukrainian NLP has seen progress in many texts processing tasks, emotion classification remains an underexplored area with no publicly available benchmark to date. In this work, we introduce EMOBENCH-UA, the first annotated dataset for emotion detection in Ukrainian texts. Our annotation schema is adapted from the previous English-centric works on emotion detection (Mohammad et al., 2018; Mohammad, 2022) guidelines. The dataset was created through crowdsourcing using the Toloka.ai platform ensuring high-quality of the annotation process. Then, we evaluate a range of approaches on the collected dataset, starting from linguistic-based baselines, synthetic data translated from English, to large language models (LLMs). Our findings highlight the challenges of emotion classification in non-mainstream languages like Ukrainian and emphasize the need for further development of Ukrainian-specific models and training resources.

1 Introduction

Recent trends in natural language processing indicate a shift from predominantly monolingual English-centric approaches toward more inclusive multilingual solutions that support less-resourced and non-mainstream languages. Although cross-lingual transfer techniques—such as Adapter modules (Pfeiffer et al., 2020) or translation from resource-rich languages (Kumar et al., 2023)—have shown promise, the development of high-quality, language-specific datasets remains essential for achieving robust and culturally accurate performance in these settings.

For the Ukrainian language, significant progress has been made in the development of resources for various stylistic classification tasks, such as sentiment analysis (Zalutskya et al., 2023) and toxicity detection (Dementieva et al., 2024). However, to the best of our knowledge, no publicly available



Figure 1: EMOBENCH-UA is a benchmark of basic emotions—Joy, Anger, Fear, Disgust, Surprise, Sadness, or None—detection in Ukrainian texts.

dataset has yet addressed the task of emotion classification. In this work, we aim to fill this gap through the following contributions:

- We design a robust **crowdsourcing annotation pipeline** for emotion annotation in Ukrainian texts, leveraging the Toloka.ai platform and incorporating quality control mechanisms to ensure high-quality annotations;
- Using this pipeline, we collect **EmoBench-UA**, the first manually annotated benchmark dataset for emotion detection in Ukrainian;¹
- We evaluate a comprehensive range of **classification approaches** on the dataset—including linguistic-based baselines, Transformer-based encoders, cross-lingual transfer methods, and

¹The dataset was part of SemEval-2025 shared Task 11 (Muhammad et al., 2025b,a) for the Ukrainian track.

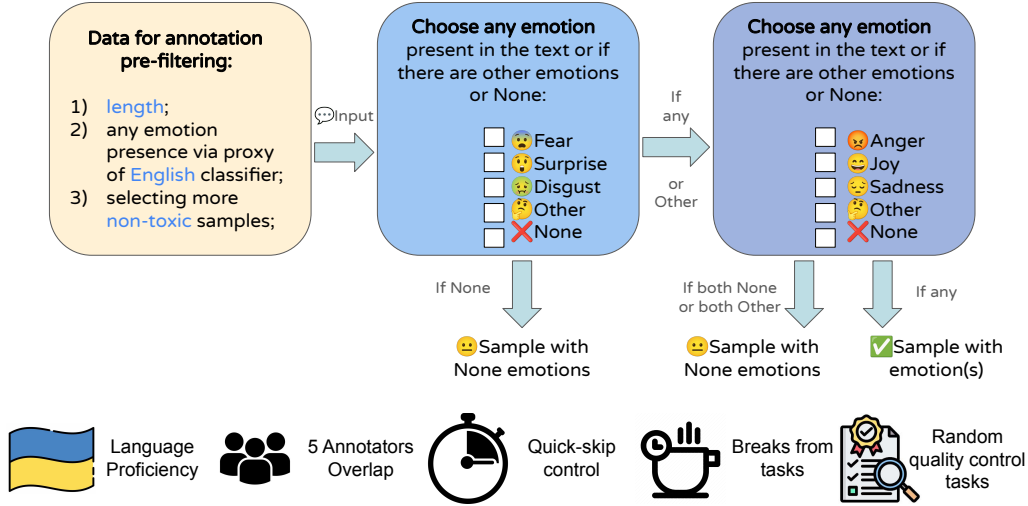


Figure 2: EMOBENCH-UA Annotation Pipeline: we split the annotation into two tasks to improve annotator focus, and several quality control measures were applied to ensure the high quality of the collected data.

prompting large language models (LLMs)—to assess task difficulty and provide a detailed performance analysis of the best to date emotion classifier in Ukrainian texts.

We release all the instructions, data, and top performing model fully online for public usage.² We believe that our insights into data annotation pipeline design for emotion detection, along with our experiments across different models, provide a reproducible foundation that can support the development of similar resources and technologies for other underrepresented languages where such corpora and emotion detection tools are not yet available.

2 Related Work

Emotion Detection Datasets and Models As for many NLP tasks, various datasets, lexicon, and approaches in the first order were created for English emotion classification (Mohammad et al., 2018). Then, it was also extended to other popular languages like Spanish, German, and Arabic (Plaza del Arco et al., 2020; Chatterjee et al., 2019; Kumar et al., 2022) and then for some not so mainstream languages like Finish (Öhman et al., 2020). Given the challenges associated with collecting fully annotated emotion datasets across languages, a multilingual emotional lexicon (Mohammad, 2023) which covers 100 languages was proposed by translating the original English resources, offering a practical first step toward facilitating emotion detection in lower-resource scenarios.

²All resources with licenses are listed in Appendix A.

At the same time, the importance of developing robust NLP systems for emotion analysis and detection is well recognized (Kusal et al., 2023), especially in socially impactful domains such as customer service, healthcare, and support for minority communities. However, extending emotion detection capabilities uniformly across multiple languages remains a persistent challenge (De Bruyne, 2023). For English and several other languages, a variety of classification methods have been explored, ranging from BiLSTM and BERT-based models (Al-Omari et al., 2020; De Bruyne et al., 2022) to more advanced architectures such as XLM-RoBERTa (Conneau et al., 2020), E5 (Wang et al., 2024a), and multilingual LLMs like BLOOMz (Wang et al., 2024b).

Ukrainian Texts Classification Although the availability of training data for classification tasks in Ukrainian remains limited, the research community has made notable strides in many NLP tasks. For example, UberText 2.0 (Chaplynskyi, 2023) provides resources for NER tasks, legal document classification, and a wide range of textual sources including news, Wikipedia, and fiction. In addition, the OPUS corpus (Tiedemann, 2012) offers parallel Ukrainian data for cross-lingual applications. Recently, the Spivavtor dataset (Saini et al., 2024) has also been introduced to facilitate instruction-tuning of Ukrainian-focused large language models.

For related classification tasks, resources for sentiment analysis (Zalutsky et al., 2023) have already been developed for Ukrainian. This task has received additional attention with more re-

cently released dataset COSMUS (Shynkarov et al., 2025) with Ukrainian, Russian, and code-switch texts that reflect the real-life Ukrainian social networks communication diversity. The dataset cover four labels—positive, negative, neutral, and mixed—which provides a solid base for the first emotional level analysis.

From other styles perspective, toxicity classification corpus was introduced by Dementieva et al. (2024). Additionally, in the domain of abusive language, a bullying detection system for Ukrainian was developed but based on translated English data (Oliinyk and Matviichuk, 2023). Finally, Dementieva et al. (2025) explored various cross-lingual knowledge transfer methods for Ukrainian texts classification, yet emphasized the continued importance of authentic, manually annotated Ukrainian data. However, still, none of the released previously resources explicitly covered basic emotion detection task for the Ukrainian language.

3 EMOBENCH-UA Collection

Here, we present the design of the crowdsourcing collection pipeline, detailing the task setup, annotation guidelines, interface design, and the applied quality control procedures used to obtain EMOBENCH-UA. The overall schema of the pipeline is presented in Figure 2.

3.1 Emotion Classification Objective

In this work, we define emotion recognition as the task of identifying perceived emotions—that is, the emotion that the majority of people would attribute to the speaker based on a given sentence or short text snippet (Muhammad et al., 2025a).

We adopt the set of basic emotions proposed by Ekman et al. (1999), which includes Joy, Fear, Anger, Sadness, Disgust, and Surprise. A single text instance may convey multiple emotions simultaneously creating the **multi-label** classification task. If a text *does not express* any of the listed emotions, then we assign it the label None.

3.2 Data Selection for Annotation

As the source data, we selected the publicly available Ukrainian tweets corpus (Bobrovnyk, 2019). Given that social media posts are often rich in emotionally charged content, this corpus serves as a suitable foundation for our annotation task. Since the original collection consists of several hundred thousand tweets, we applied a multi-stage filtering

Figure 3: Annotation Interface illustration translated into English.

process to both increase the likelihood of emotional content and ensure the feasibility of accurate annotation:

Length First, we applied a length-based filter, discarding texts that were too short (N words < 5), as such samples often consist of hashtags or other non-informative tokens. Similarly, overly long texts (N words ≥ 50) were excluded, as longer sequences tend to obscure the central meaning and make it challenging to accurately identify the expressed emotions.

Toxicity While toxic texts can carry quite strong emotions, to ensure annotators well-being and general appropriateness of our corpus, we filtered out too toxic instances using opensourced toxicity classifier (Dementieva et al., 2024).³

Emotional Texts Pre-selection To avoid an excessive imbalance toward emotionless texts, we performed a pre-selection step aimed at identifying texts likely to express emotions. Specifically, we applied the English emotion classifier DistillRoBERTa-Emo-EN⁴ on translated Ukrainian texts. For this, 10k Ukrainian samples, previously filtered by the previous steps, were translated into English using the NLLB model (Costa-jussà et al., 2022)⁵. The emotion predictions from this classifier were then used to select a final set of 5k potentially emotionally-relevant texts, which were used for further annotation.

³<https://huggingface.co/ukr-detect/ukr-toxicity-classifier>

⁴https://huggingface.co/michellejeli/emotion_text_classifier

⁵<https://huggingface.co/facebook/nllb-200-distilled-600M>

3.3 Annotation Setup

As emotion classification is quite subjective, we opted to rely on crowdsourcing rather than limiting the annotation process to a small group of expert annotators. For this, we utilized Toloka.ai⁶ crowdsourcing platform.

3.3.1 Projects Design

As shown in Figure 2, to reduce cognitive load, we split the annotation process into two separate projects: one focused on *fear*, *surprise*, and *disgust*; the other on *anger*, *joy*, and *sadness*. Since our objective was to allow multiple emotion labels per instance, the projects were designed sequentially.

Specifically, if a sample in the first stage received a label other than None (i.e., it was identified as containing emotion), it was subsequently included in the second stage. The final label assignment followed several scenarios: (i) samples could receive labels from both projects; (ii) samples could receive labels in the first project but none in the second, in which case only the first set of labels was retained; (iii) samples could receive labels other than our target emotions in the first project but valid labels in the second, in which case only the second set of labels was retained; and (iv) samples could be labeled as Other or None in both projects, in which case they were considered as containing no relevant emotions within our target categories.

3.3.2 Instructions & Interface

Before being granted access to the annotation task, potential annotators were provided with detailed instructions, including a description of our aimed emotion detection task and illustrative examples for each emotion. We present the English translation of the introductory part of our instruction text:

Instructions

Select one or more emotions and their intensity in the text. If there are no emotions in the text or if there are emotions not represented in the list, select the No emotions/other emotions option.

The full listed Ukrainian instructions for both projects are in Appendix D. The English translation of the interface is presented in Figure 3 with the original Ukrainian interface in Figure 5.

Annotators were instructed to answer a multiple-choice question, allowing them to select one or more emotions for each text instance. Additionally,

they were asked to indicate the perceived intensity of the selected emotions. These annotations were also collected and will be included in the final release of EMOBENCH-UA. However, for the purposes of this study in the experiments, we focus exclusively on the binary emotion presence labels.

3.3.3 Annotators Selection

Language Proficiency Toloka platform provided pre-filtering mechanisms to select annotators who had passed official language proficiency tests, serving as an initial screening step. In our scenario, we selected annotators that were proficient in Ukrainian.

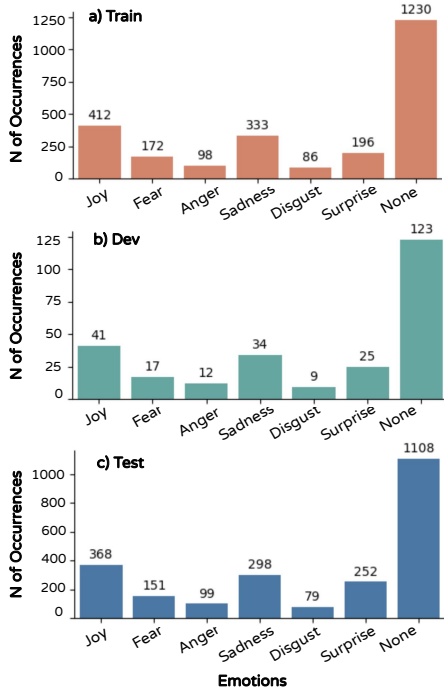
Training and Exam Phases Annotators interested in participating first completed an unpaid training phase, where they reviewed detailed instructions and examples with explanations for correct labelling decisions. Following this, annotators were required to pass an exam, identical in format to the actual labelling tasks, to demonstrate their understanding of the guidelines. Successful candidates gained access to the main assignments.

3.3.4 Quality Control

To ensure high-quality annotations, we implemented several automated checks. Annotators were permanently banned if they submitted the last three task pages in under 15 seconds each, indicating low engagement. A one-day ban was triggered if three consecutive pages were skipped. To prevent fatigue, annotators were asked to take a 30-minute break after completing 25 consecutive pages. Additionally, control tasks were randomly injected; if the accuracy on these within the last 10 pages fell below 40%, the annotator was temporarily banned and required to retake the training.

To ensure the reliability of the annotations, each text instance was labeled independently by **5 annotators**. The final emotion labels were determined through majority voting with an estimated confidence score by Dawid-Skene model (Dawid and Skene, 1979). This aggregation model accounts not only for the annotators' individual responses but also for their performance on control tasks, thereby weighting labels by annotator quality and improving overall robustness. Only instances with a confidence score $\geq 90\%$ from both projects were included to the final dataset.

⁶<https://toloka.ai>



(a) Distribution of Labels

Joy					Fear				
щастя	вітаю	дякую	народження	святю	боїться	страшно	злякати	лякає	серце
happiness	congratulations	thank you	birth	holiday	afraid	scared	scare	scares	heart
настрій	приємно	вітання	життя	гарно	переживати	здається	найбільше	жах	мама
mood	nice	congrats	life	beautiful	worry	seems	most of all	horror	mom
Anger					Sadness				
бісить	гірше	злиий	клятий	влада	сумно	гірше	шкода	скупити	люди
isses off	worse	angry	damn	government	sad	worse	pity	miss	people
вибішує	ненавидіти	боже	ти	день	печаль	нема	хочеться	жаль	сум
isses off	hate	oh god	you	day	sadness	no	want	regret	sorrow
Disgust					Surprise				
гірше	фу	запах	лайно	пахнути	дивно	думати	розуміти	очікувати	боже
worse	ew	smell	shit	smell	weird	think	understand	expect	oh god
гидко	прямо	дихати	їсти	гнилий	дивний	серйозно	реакція	чудовий	нащо
disgusting	straight	breathe	eat	rotten	weird	seriously	reaction	amazing	why
None									
	хотіти	вчора				день	робота		
	want	yesterday				day	job		
	вночі	знати				вдома	завтра		
	at night	know				at home	tomorrow		

(b) Keywords per Emotion

Figure 4: EMOBENCH-UA statistics per sets and emotions.

3.3.5 Annotators Well-Being

We aimed to design a fair, transparent, and user-friendly crowdsourcing project.

Fair Compensation Payment rates were set to balance grant funding constraints with fair wages, aligning with Ukraine’s minimum hourly wage at the time of labelling (**1.12 USD/hour**). Annotators received **0.05 USD** per page with possibility to complete at least 20 assignment per hour. The overall spending of the whole project resulted in **500 USD**.

Positive Project Ratings Toloka provided annotators with tools⁷ to rate project fairness in terms of payment, task design, and organizer responsiveness. Our projects received high ratings: **4.80/5.00** for the Training Project and **4.90/5.00** for the Main Project.

4 EMOBENCH-UA

After filtering out low-confidence and ambiguous samples from the annotation results, we obtained a final EMOBENCH-UA of 4949 labelled instances (145 samples were dropped due to label conflicts). Krippendorff’s alpha agreement score was 0.85. Then, we partitioned the dataset into fixed train/de-

velopment/test subsets following a 50/5/45% split ratio. An overview of the label distribution across these subsets is presented in Figure 4a. We also provide distribution of texts with one or more emotions per split in Appendix E. The dataset examples can be found in Appendix F.

We were able to collect at least one hundred, and in some cases several hundred, instances for each emotion category. The majority of the sentences have clear distinguished one emotion with rare cases of texts with several emotions. Nevertheless, the dataset remains imbalanced, with Joy and Sadness being the most prevalent emotions among the labeled samples, alongside a substantial portion of texts assigned the None label. Such imbalance is a common characteristic of emotion detection datasets, reflecting the natural distribution of emotions in real-world text and contributing to the overall complexity of the task.

Additionally, in Figure 4b, we provide a closer analysis of the collected emotional data by extracting the top-10 keywords for each emotion label (lemmatization done using the spacy⁸ library). The resulting keywords reveal clear and intuitive associations with the corresponding emotional categories, further confirming the quality and relevance of the annotated texts.

⁷https://toloka.ai/docs/guide/project_rating_stat

⁸<https://spacy.io/models/uk>

5 Models

We test various types on models on our collected dataset: (i) linguistic-based approaches; (ii) Transformer-based encoders; (iii) LLMs prompting for classification. Then, we also did an ablation study with synthetic Ukrainian training data acquisition via translation from English. The details of models' hyperparameters can be found in Appendix H.

5.1 Linguistic-based Approaches

Even with current advances in NLP, linguistic-based approaches based on statistics of the training set can be quite a strong and resource-efficient baseline for stylistic texts classification like sentiment (Brauwert and Frasinca, 2023) or formality (Dementieva et al., 2023).

Keywords Based We used the train part of our dataset to extract *natural* keywords per emotion as shown in Figure 4b. We used spacy for lemmatization extracting top-20 words per emotion. For each text, we count the number of keywords associated with each emotion and assign the emotion with the highest keyword frequency.

Logistic Regression Firstly, we embed our texts with CountVectorizer into td-idf features. Then, we fine-tuned Logistic Regressions classifier on the training part of our dataset.

Random Forest The same as for logistic regression, we fine-tune Random Forest classifier with 100 decision trees on td-idf training features.

5.2 Transformer-based Encoder

Then, we take the next generation of classification models based on the Transformers (Vaswani et al., 2017) encoders. For each model type, we evaluate multiple versions varying in model size.

BERT Firstly, we used mBERT⁹ (Devlin et al., 2018) as it contains Ukrainian in the pre-trained data. We additionally experimented with a compact variant—Geotrend-BERT¹⁰—of mBERT where the vocabulary and embeddings were specifically refined to retain only Ukrainian (Abdaoui et al., 2020).

⁹<https://huggingface.co/google-bert/bert-base-multilingual-cased>

¹⁰<https://huggingface.co/Geotrend/bert-base-uk-cased>

RoBERTa As an extension of BERT-like models, we used several versions of RoBERTa-like models (Conneau et al., 2019) as it shown previously promising results in Ukrainian texts classification (Dementieva et al., 2025):

- XLM-RoBERTa: base¹¹ and large¹² instances;
- Ukrainian-specific pre-trained monolingual RoBERTa: UKR-RoBERTa-base¹³;
- additionally fine-tuned on sentiment classification task on Twitter data Twitter-XLM-RoBERTa base¹⁴ (Barbieri et al., 2022);
- finally, we tested Glot500-base¹⁵ model (Imani et al., 2023) that extended multilingual RoBERTa to 500 languages.

LaBSe Another multilingual embedding model covering 109 languages including Ukrainian: LaBSe¹⁶ (Feng et al., 2022).

E5 Finally, we utilized the more recent multilingual-e5 embeddings (Wang et al., 2024a): base¹⁷ and large¹⁸ variants.

5.3 LLMs prompting

To test models based on another methodology, we also tried out various modern LLMs on our benchmark dataset transforming our classification task into the text-to-text generation one. While Ukrainian is not always explicitly present in the pre-training data reports, the emerging abilities of LLMs already showed promising results in handling new languages (Wei et al., 2022) including Ukrainian (Dementieva et al., 2025). However, we also utilize more recent LLMs dedicated to European languages, including Ukrainian. We used two types of prompts—instructions in English and in Ukrainian—that are fully listed in Appendix G.

We tested several families of LLMs with variants in terms of version and sizes. We chose mostly instruction tuned instances as they supposedly perform more precise for classification tasks:

EuroLLM The recent initiative introduced in (Martins et al., 2024) has an aim to develop high-quality LLMs for European languages

¹¹<https://huggingface.co/FacebookAI/xlm-roberta-base>

¹²<https://huggingface.co/FacebookAI/xlm-roberta-large>

¹³<https://huggingface.co/youscan/ukr-roberta-base>

¹⁴<https://huggingface.co/cardiffnlp/twitter-xlm-roberta-base-sentiment>

¹⁵<https://huggingface.co/cis-lmu/glot500-base>

¹⁶<https://huggingface.co/sentence-transformers/LaBSE>

¹⁷<https://huggingface.co/intfloat/multilingual-e5-base>

¹⁸<https://huggingface.co/intfloat/multilingual-e5-large>

with Ukrainian definitely included. We selected EuroLLM-1.7B¹⁹ variant for our experiments.

Spivavtor Ukrainian-tuned LLM that was obtained by instruction tuning CohereForAI/aya-101 (Üstün et al., 2024) model on the Spivavtor dataset (Saini et al., 2024).²⁰

MamayLM Another specifically Ukrainian-tuned LLM obtained from Gemma-2 (Rivière et al., 2024) and, in 2025, achieved the top scores within Ukrainian LLMs. It was continuously pre-trained on a large pre-filtered dataset (75B tokens of Ukrainian and English data in total) using the combination of data mixing and model merging (Yukhy-menko et al., 2025).²¹

Mistral From multilingual general-purpose LLMs, firstly, we used several version of Mistral-family models (Jiang et al., 2023)—Mistral-7B²² and Mixtral-8x7B.²³ The models cards do not mention explicitly Ukrainian and other languages, however Mistral showed promising results in Ukrainian texts classification tasks (Dementieva et al., 2025).

LLaMa3 The LLaMa model (AI@Meta, 2024) card as well does not stated Ukrainian explicitly, however, encourages research in usage of the model in various multilingual tasks. Thus, we tested the Llama-3-8B²⁴ and Llama-3.3-70B²⁵ variants.

Qwen3 Then, we also utilized for experiments one of the Qwen3 (Team, 2025) family of models²⁶ that showed before promising results in various Ukrainian understanding tasks (Kravchenko et al., 2025).

DeepSeek Finally, we tested one of the recent top performing models in reasoning—DeepSeek (DeepSeek-AI et al., 2025) with DeepSeek-R1-Qwen²⁷, deepseek-ai/DeepSeek-R1-Llama²⁸, and DeepSeek-V3²⁹ variants. The situation of the

Ukrainian language presence in the models is the same as for Mistral and LLaMa—DeepSeek was heavily optimized for English and Chinese, however, the authors encourage to try it for other languages.

5.3.1 Translation & Synthetic Data

Additionally, we also experimented with cross-lingual setups to imitate various low-resource scenarios: (i) translation in ukr→en direction; (ii) translation in en→ukr direction.

Synthetic Emotion Lexicon In addition to natural Ukrainian lexicon extracted from our data, we also experimented with the already collected and translated from English *synthetic* Ukrainian emotions lexicon from (Mohammad, 2023).

Translation Then, we imitated the scenario if we have already fine-tuned English emotion detection model—i.e. DistillRoBERTa-Emo-EN³⁰—so then we can translate Ukrainian inputs into English to obtain the labels.

Synthetic Training Data via Translation To not rely on the translation at every single inference, we can also translate the whole English training corpus (Muhammad et al., 2025b) into Ukrainian and then used it as Ukrainian training data.

For translation in all scenarios, we utilized NLLB³¹ model (Costa-jussà et al., 2022).

6 Results

The results of models evaluation on the test part of our novel EMOBENCH-UA dataset on the **binary multi-label classification** task are presented in the Table 1. We report **F1 score** per each emotion; for overall results, we report Precision, Recall, and **macro-averaged F1-score**. Also, we provide the confusion matrices for the top performing models in Appendix I.

Linguistic-based Approaches While the linguistic-based models rely on relatively simple statistical representations of the text, they demonstrate competitive performance. The keyword-based approach, however, yielded lower results, which is expected given that emotion detection often relies on understanding contextual collocations and multi-word expressions rather than isolated words. In contrast, both logistic

¹⁹<https://huggingface.co/utter-project/EuroLLM-1.7B-Instruct>

²⁰<https://huggingface.co/grammarly/spivavtor-xxl>

²¹<https://huggingface.co/INSAT-Institute/MamayLM-Gemma-2-9B-IT>

²²<https://huggingface.co/mistralai/Mistral-7B-Instruct-v0.3>

²³<https://huggingface.co/mistralai/Mixtral-8x7B-Instruct-v0.1>

²⁴<https://huggingface.co/meta-llama/Meta-Llama-3-8B-Instruct>

²⁵<https://huggingface.co/meta-llama/Llama-3.3-70B-Instruct>

²⁶<https://huggingface.co/Qwen/Qwen3-4B-Instruct-2507-FP8>

²⁷<https://huggingface.co/deepseek-ai/DeepSeek-R1-Distill-Qwen-7B>

²⁸<https://huggingface.co/deepseek-ai/DeepSeek-R1-Distill-Llama-8B>

²⁹<https://huggingface.co/deepseek-ai/DeepSeek-V3>

³⁰https://huggingface.co/michellejeli/emotion_text_classifier

³¹<https://huggingface.co/facebook/nllb-200-distilled-600M>

	Joy	Fear	Anger	Sadness	Disgust	Surprise	None	Pr	Re	F1
<i>Linguistic-based Approaches</i>										
Keywords	0.30	0.15	0.08	0.21	0.10	0.15	0.25	0.24	0.24	0.22
Logistic Regression	0.64	0.72	0.49	0.59	0.49	0.61	0.67	0.51	0.22	0.29
Random Forest	0.61	0.69	0.49	0.59	0.49	0.60	0.68	0.58	0.21	0.27
<i>Translation to English</i>										
DistillRoBERTa-Emo-EN	0.56	0.55	0.31	0.52	0.23	0.47	0.55	0.40	0.61	0.45
<i>Transformer-based Encoders</i>										
LaBSe	0.67	0.73	0.30	0.65	0.33	0.54	0.80	0.57	0.59	0.57
Geotrend-BERT	0.58	0.59	0.08	0.50	0.11	0.40	0.73	0.46	0.43	0.43
mBERT	0.46	0.24	0.01	0.45	0.02	0.33	0.73	0.33	0.33	0.32
UKR-RoBERTa Base	0.65	0.58	0.14	0.50	0.21	0.49	0.74	0.51	0.45	0.47
XLM-RoBERTa Base	0.61	0.31	0.00	0.33	0.01	0.19	0.75	0.33	0.31	0.31
XLM-RoBERTa Large	0.73	0.79	0.20	0.68	0.00	0.60	0.80	0.52	0.58	0.54
Twitter-XLM-RoBERTa	0.72	0.76	0.13	0.64	0.07	0.54	0.79	0.66	0.51	0.52
Glott500 Base	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.18	0.00	0.01	0.64	0.24	0.19	0.13
Multilingual-E5 Base	0.71	0.73	0.01	0.52	0.00	0.50	0.77	0.49	0.45	0.46
Multilingual-E5 Large	0.73	0.81	0.31	0.69	0.35	0.60	0.81	0.65	0.62	0.62
<i>LLMs Prompting</i>										
EuroLLM-1.7B (ENG)	0.46	0.31	0.15	0.37	0.18	0.09	0.28	0.26	0.38	0.26
EuroLLM-1.7B (UKR)	0.38	0.30	0.11	0.27	0.10	0.11	0.25	0.25	0.24	0.22
Spivator-XXL (ENG)	0.39	0.03	0.15	0.13	0.00	0.01	0.69	0.68	0.20	0.20
Spivator-XXL (UKR)	0.32	0.08	0.14	0.13	0.08	0.13	0.29	0.17	0.28	0.17
MamayLM-9B (ENG)	0.63	0.62	0.54	0.64	0.38	0.31	0.67	0.46	0.73	0.54
MamayLM-9B (UKR)	0.61	0.61	0.47	0.52	0.47	0.24	0.41	0.44	0.73	0.48
Mistral-7B (ENG)	0.52	0.58	0.33	0.49	0.32	0.37	0.52	0.37	0.73	0.45
Mistral-7B (UKR)	0.55	0.37	0.28	0.47	0.19	0.24	0.33	0.32	0.71	0.35
Mixtral-8x7B (ENG)	0.49	0.37	0.34	0.51	0.25	0.25	0.66	0.32	0.74	0.41
Mixtral-8x7B (UKR)	0.48	0.35	0.19	0.47	0.21	0.22	0.71	0.27	0.73	0.37
LLaMA 3 8B (ENG)	0.56	0.65	0.36	0.54	0.29	0.25	0.39	0.43	0.56	0.43
LLaMA 3 8B (UKR)	0.30	0.67	0.29	0.45	0.15	0.25	0.10	0.38	0.53	0.31
LLaMA 3.3 70B (ENG)	0.64	0.63	0.47	0.62	0.26	0.32	0.43	0.44	0.79	0.48
LLaMA 3.3 70B (UKR)	0.58	0.68	0.34	0.71	0.18	0.33	0.36	0.45	0.64	0.46
Qwen3-4B (ENG)	0.65	0.66	0.39	0.56	0.34	0.35	0.52	0.45	0.72	0.49
Qwen3-4B (UKR)	0.63	0.62	0.42	0.54	0.18	0.34	0.33	0.43	0.69	0.44
DeepSeek-R1-Qwen (ENG)	0.63	0.61	0.43	0.64	0.45	0.46	0.60	0.48	0.75	0.55
DeepSeek-R1-Qwen (UKR)	0.68	0.66	0.40	0.57	0.29	0.38	0.68	0.46	0.66	0.52
DeepSeek-R1-LLaMA (ENG)	0.67	0.69	0.49	0.71	0.52	0.47	0.67	0.54	0.72	0.60
DeepSeek-R1-LLaMA (UKR)	0.67	0.64	0.45	0.69	0.33	0.51	0.69	0.51	0.69	0.57
DeepSeek-V3 (ENG)	0.73	0.74	0.60	0.72	0.57	0.41	0.78	0.60	0.72	0.65
DeepSeek-V3 (UKR)	0.71	0.66	0.61	0.72	0.48	0.42	0.71	0.54	0.81	0.62

Table 1: EMOBENCH-UA test set results of various models types per emotion and overall. The models that required fine-tuning were trained on the natural **Ukrainian** training set of EMOBENCH-UA. Per emotion, we report F1 scores. In **bold**, we denote the best results per column within model type. In **orange** we highlight the top results per column.

regression and random forest models performed on par with several base encoder models and, in some cases, even outperformed certain LLMs. Although these models did not achieve the highest overall F1-macro scores, they showed strong precision but struggled with recall.

Transformer-based Encoders Among the range of tested BERT- and RoBERTa-based models, the Ukrainian-specific encoders, Geotrend-BERT and UKR-RoBERTa Base, significantly outperformed mBERT, Glott500, and XLM-RoBERTa-base, highlighting the importance of monolingual, Ukrainian-specific encoders. At the same

time, the multilingual LaBSE model outperformed Ukrainian-specific models. Within the RoBERTa-like family, XLM-RoBERTa-large and Twitter-XLM-RoBERTa achieved the strongest results, although both struggled with the Anger and Disgust. Finally, the best-performing encoder was **Multilingual-E5-Large**, with a good balance of Precision and Recall.

LLMs Across all model families, we observe a consistent trend of slightly improved performance when models are prompted in English rather than Ukrainian. Surprisingly, EuroLLM underperformed, yielding results even lower than the linguistics-

	Joy	Fear	Anger	Sadness	Surprise	None	Pr	Re	F1
Keywords UK	0.30	0.15	0.08	0.21	0.15	0.25	0.27	0.25	0.26
Keywords EN	0.17	0.05	0.01	0.18	0.08	0.11	0.15	0.01	0.10
UKR-RoBERTa-base UK	0.65	0.58	0.14	0.50	0.49	0.74	0.56	0.49	0.52
UKR-RoBERTa-base EN	0.53	0.24	0.19	0.30	0.31	0.60	0.32	0.42	0.36
mBERT UK	0.46	0.24	0.00	0.45	0.33	0.73	0.38	0.38	0.37
mBERT EN	0.38	0.12	0.12	0.31	0.31	0.55	0.31	0.30	0.30
LaBSe UK	0.67	0.73	0.30	0.65	0.54	0.80	0.59	0.65	0.62
LaBSe EN	0.60	0.41	0.22	0.39	0.30	0.64	0.44	0.43	0.43
XLM-RoBERTa Large UK	0.73	0.79	0.20	0.68	0.60	0.80	0.61	0.68	0.63
XLM-RoBERTa Large EN	0.50	0.34	0.15	0.47	0.24	0.53	0.33	0.45	0.37
Twitter-XLM-RoBERTa UK	0.72	0.76	0.13	0.64	0.54	0.79	0.60	0.59	0.60
Twitter-XLM-RoBERTa EN	0.62	0.26	0.21	0.52	0.44	0.62	0.42	0.47	0.44
Multilingual-E5 Large UK	0.73	0.81	0.31	0.69	0.60	0.81	0.65	0.68	0.66
Multilingual-E5 Large EN	0.61	0.26	0.22	0.36	0.23	0.56	0.36	0.41	0.37

Table 2: EMOBENCH-UA test set results of comparison natural UK vs synthetic translated from EN training data. Per emotion, we report F1 scores. In **bold**, we denote the best results per column within model type. As the English dataset does not contain Disgust label, we fine-tuned all models types without it for this experiment.

based baselines. Other LLMs delivered scores comparable to encoder-based models, outperforming them in the Anger and Disgust classes. While all LLMs demonstrated lower Precision compared to the best encoders, they consistently achieved higher Recall. Notably, **DeepSeek-V3** handled the emotion detection task in Ukrainian with the highest scores. However, the overall performance gains over Multilingual-E5-Large remain minimal, raising a question regarding the efficiency and responsible usage of such large models.

Translation to English The approach of leveraging an English-based classifier DistillRoBERTa-Emo-EN as a proxy demonstrated competitive performance as well. Notably, it achieved one of the highest scores for the Anger category, where many other models struggled. Although its precision was lower compared to even the linguistic-based methods, it consistently delivered substantially higher recall. Thus, it can be quite a good baseline for Ukrainian emotional texts detection.

Natural vs Translated Training Data From Table 2, we observe that models trained on the original Ukrainian data consistently outperform models tuned on synthetic translated from English training data. However, the latter in some cases achieve higher scores for the Anger class, suggesting—in line with previous observations with the models containing knowledge of English—that English data could be a valuable for augmenting Ukrainian samples for it.

7 Conclusion

We introduced EMOBENCH-UA—the first manually annotated dataset for emotion detection in Ukrainian texts. The proposed pipeline combines data preprocessing with a two-stage annotation procedure, incorporating multiple quality control measurements to ensure the high quality annotation. We benchmarked a wide range of approaches for the multi-label emotion classification task, demonstrating that although the latest LLMs, such as DeepSeek, achieved the strongest results, more efficient encoder-based models perform competitively. We hope this work also encourages further research on Ukrainian-specific emotion detectors, including ensemble strategies and augmentation with other resource-rich languages resources.

Although the collected Ukrainian dataset is smaller than comparable English resources, its natural, culturally grounded data has already proven more effective than purely cross-lingual transfer approaches. Medium-sized encoder-based Transformers fine-tuned on our dataset achieve performance on par with larger LLMs. We therefore believe that our openly released with all required details data collection pipeline offer a replicable framework for building high-quality and enough in size resources for other underrepresented languages. Finally, we believe that our experimental setup—baselines selection and prompts design—offers a straightforward, extensible evaluation framework for other languages providing a possibility to select a corresponding state-of-the-art approach for text-based emotion analysis.

Limitations

While this work introduces EMOBENCH-UA as a valuable benchmark for emotion detection in Ukrainian texts, we acknowledge several limitations worth addressing and exploring in future research.

Emotions Labels The current dataset is restricted to the recognition of basic emotions. More nuanced or implicit emotional states, which often arise in real-world communication, remain outside the scope of this release.

Another challenge is the interpretation of the None label, which can reflect both an absence of emotion or still can be a holder for other emotions rather than listed basic ones. Distinguishing between these two cases is non-trivial and requires deeper investigation.

Emojis as Keywords The role of non-verbal cues—in particular, the presence of emojis in social media texts—has not been systematically investigated in this work. Emojis can often serve as strong emotion indicators, and future experiments could benefit from incorporating emoji-aware detectors.

Crowdsourcing Platform Additionally, while the annotation process was performed on a specific crowdsourcing platform—Toloka.ai—we believe that the design of the annotation pipeline is platform-agnostic as annotation guidelines and quality control measures are openly available.

Annotators Subjectivity Although each instance in the dataset was annotated by five independent annotators, emotions are still highly subjective and culturally sensitive. Increasing annotator overlap, as well as ensuring broader demographic diversity—i.e. Ukrainian speakers from various regions of the country and more diverse age distribution—could further improve label robustness.

Detectors Design This study focused on evaluating one representative model per classifier type. Future work could explore ensemble methods or hybrid architectures, which have the potential to further enhance performance.

Hyperparameters Lastly, hyperparameter optimization was explored in a limited setup. More systematic tuning, particularly for prompting strategies (e.g., temperature settings) and fine-tuning, is likely to yield additional improvements.

Ethics Statement

We also consider several ethical implications of our work.

During data collection, we made our best to ensure that all contributors were fairly compensated. Clear guidelines and examples were provided to reduce potential ambiguity or emotional strain on the annotators.

All texts in the dataset originate from publicly available sources and were anonymized with totally removed links and any users mentioning to avoid the disclosure of personal or sensitive information. Nonetheless, since the source data comes from social media, there remains a potential for indirect identification through unique expressions or context. We encourage future users of the dataset to handle the material responsibly.

Given the subjective nature of emotions and their cultural grounding, we acknowledge that both annotation and model predictions may reflect current social and cultural biases. This is a general limitation for emotion or other style recognition datasets. We advise the stakeholders of the potential applications to additionally cross-check the models and data for their specific use-cases with corresponding to context adjustments.

Finally, we openly release the annotation guidelines for transparency and reproducibility and encourage future work to continue contribute with various data, including emotions detection, for underrepresented languages.

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A EMOBENCH-UA Released Datasets and Models

We release all the collected data and fine-tuned best-performing classifier for public usage for further research purposes and usage for social good. We opensource the complete annotation results—both binary and intensity labels—along with the full record of annotator responses for each text:

Resource	License	Homepage
Dataset Binary Labels	CC BY 4.0	https://huggingface.co/datasets/ukr-detect/ukr-emotions-binary
Dataset Intensity Labels	CC BY 4.0	https://huggingface.co/datasets/ukr-detect/ukr-emotions-intensity
Dataset Per Annotator Labels	CC BY 4.0	https://huggingface.co/datasets/ukr-detect/ukr-emotions-per-annotator
SOTA Ukrainian Emotions Classifier	OpenRail++	https://huggingface.co/ukr-detect/ukr-emotions-classifier

Table 3: Overview of the licenses associated with our published resources.

The full project page together with the annotation instructions details, interfaces, and experiments code can be found at the Github page: <https://github.com/dardem/emobench-ua>.

B Licensing of Resources

Below is an overview of the licenses associated with each resource used in this work (Table 4).

Resource	License	Homepage
Ukrainian Tweets Dataset	CC BY 4.0	https://ena.lpnu.ua:8443/server/api/core/bitstreams/c4c645c1-f465-4895-98dd-765f862cf186/content
Ukrainian Toxicity Classifier	OpenRail++	https://huggingface.co/ukr-detect
Emotion Lexicon	The lexicon is made freely available for research, and has been commercially licensed to companies for a small fee	https://saifmohammad.com/WebPages/NRC-Emotion-Lexicon.htm
mBERT	Apache-2.0	https://huggingface.co/google-bert
Geotrend-BERT	Apache-2.0	https://huggingface.co/Geotrend/bert-base-uk-cased
XLNet	MIT	https://huggingface.co/FacebookAI
UKR-RoBERTa	MIT	https://github.com/youscan/language-models
Twitter-XLM-RoBERTa	Apache-2.0	https://aclanthology.org/2022.lrec-1.27
Glots500	CC BY 4.0	https://aclanthology.org/2023.acl-long.61
LaBSE	Apache-2.0	https://huggingface.co/sentence-transformers/LaBSE
e5	MIT	https://huggingface.co/intfloat
NLLB	CC BY NC 4.0	https://huggingface.co/facebook/nllb-200-distilled-600M
EuroLLM	Apache-2.0	https://huggingface.co/utter-project/EuroLLM-1.7B-Instruct
Spivavtor	CC BY 4.0	https://huggingface.co/collections/grammarly/spivavtor-660744ab14fdf5e925592dc7
MamayLM	Gemma License	https://huggingface.co/collections/INSAT-Institute/mamaylm-gemma-2-68080b895a949a52b474d5de
Mistral7B	Apache-2.0	https://huggingface.co/mistralai
Mixtral8x7B	Apache-2.0	https://huggingface.co/mistralai
LLaMa3	llama3	https://huggingface.co/meta-llama
Qwen3	Apache-2.0	https://huggingface.co/collections/Qwen/qwen3-67dd247413f0e2e4f653967f
DeepSeek	MIT	https://huggingface.co/collections/deepseek-ai/deepseek-r1-678e1e131c0169c0bc89728d

Table 4: Overview of the licenses associated with each resource utilized in this work for experiments.

The licenses associated with the models and datasets utilized in this study are consistent with the intended use of conducting academic research on various NLP application for positive impact.

C Usage of AI Assistants

During this study, AI assistant was utilized in the writing process. ChatGPT was employed for paraphrasing and improving clarity throughout the paper's formulation. We also utilized DeepL³² to translate the examples in Ukrainian into English followed by the human manual check and adjustments.

D Instructions & Interface

D.1 Ukrainian (original)

In this section, we provide the Instructions for both annotation projects as well as interface in Ukrainian.

Main Instructions for the First Project: Fear, Surprise, Disgust

Виберіть одну або кілька емоцій та їх інтенсивність у тексті. Якщо в тексті немає ніяких емоцій або є емоції не представлені в списку виберіть варіант - "Немає емоцій / інші емоції".

Приклади

Страх

Низька проява

Що, як це ніколи не закінчиться?

Нормальна проява

Мені дуже страшно залишатися тут одному...

Інтесивна проява

Боже, який це жах і як же це страшно!!!

Здивування

Низька проява

Це було несподівано

Нормальна проява

Це вражає! Я в захваті!

Інтесивна проява

Вауу, який неймовірний поворот подій!!!

Огида

Низька проява

Щось мене трохи нудить від цього запаху.

Нормальна проява

Фу, це просто огидно!

Інтесивна проява

Мені стає погано від однієї лише думки про це

Приклади з декількома емоціями

Ти ще куриш на ходу в таку погоду. – здивування, огида

³²<https://www.deepl.com>

Я боюсь, що це все виявиться п'яними розмовами. – огида, страх
Я не можу повірити, що це дійсно сталося! Це так страшно! – здивування, страх
Як це можливо? Я боюся навіть уявити, що буде далі! – здивування, страх
Я не можу повірити, що хтось може їсти таке! Це жахливо! – огида, здивування

Немає емоцій / інші емоції

Немає емоцій

Сьогодні вранці йшов дощ.
Він прочитав книгу за два дні.
Я бачив її вчора на вулиці.

Інші емоції

Я вкрай роздратований цим безладом!
Моє серце розривається від болю :(
Нарешті ми це зробили :):) я просто на сьомому небі від щастя!

Main Instructions for the Second Project: Joy, Sadness, Anger

Виберіть одну або кілька емоцій та їх інтенсивність у тексті. Якщо в тексті немає ніяких емоцій або є емоції не представлені в списку виберіть варіант - "Немає емоцій / інші емоції".

Приклад

Радість

Низька проява

Твоя усмішка робить мій день.

Нормальна проява

Це один з найкращих подарунків, який я коли-небудь отримував.
Це було дуже весело та чудово, наш відпочинок вдався!!

Інтесивна проява

Нарешті ми це зробили!!!! я просто на сьомому небі від щастя!
Ми виграли!!! :):) Я не можу повірити, що це сталося!

Сум

Низька проява

Цей день був важкий для мене.

Нормальна проява

Я не можу повірити, що це сталося з нами. . .

Інтесивна проява

Моє серце розривається від болю :((

Гнів

Низька проява

Це мене бісить

Нормальна проява

Я вкрай роздратований цим безладом!

Інтесивна проява

Це абсолютно неприпустимо!!!

Приклади з декількома емоціями

Нарешті ми знайшли ідеальне місце для відпочинку, і це навіть краще, ніж я міг собі уявити! – радість, здивування

Вау, як неочікувано, це найкращий подарунок, який я коли-небудь отримував! – радість, здивування

Мені приємно, що ти прийшов, але ти капець як запізнився!!! – радість, гнів

Мені важко прийняти, що все закінчилося саме так, і я злюся на тебе за це. – сум, гнів

Це так прикро і гнітюче, що наші відносини закінчилися через твою брехню! – гнів, сум

Немає емоцій / інші емоції

Немає емоцій

Сьогодні вранці йшов дощ.

Він прочитав книгу за два дні.

Я бачив її вчора на вулиці.

Проаналізуйте наступний текст:
text

Які емоції викликає цей текст:

☒ Страх

Оцініть інтенсивність емоції:

☐ Низька ☒ Нормальна ☐ Висока

☐ Здивування

☒ Огида

Оцініть інтенсивність емоції:

☒ Низька ☐ Нормальна ☐ Висока

☐ Немає емоцій (?)

☐ Інші емоції (?)

Figure 5: Annotation Interface illustration in original Ukrainian.

D.2 English (translated)

Main Instructions for the First Project: Fear, Surprise, Disgust

Select one or more emotions and their intensity in the text. If there are no emotions in the text or if there are emotions not represented in the list, select the No emotions / other emotions option.

Examples

Fear

Low

What if it never ends?

Normal

I am very scared to stay here alone...

High

My God, what a horror and how scary it is!!!

Surprise

Low

It was unexpected

Normal

It's amazing! I'm thrilled!

High

Wow, what an incredible turn of events!!!

Disgust

Low

This smell makes me a little nauseous.

Normal

Ew, that's just disgusting!

High

I feel sick just thinking about it

Examples with multiple emotions

You're still smoking on the go in this weather. - surprise, disgust

I'm afraid it will all turn out to be drunken talk. - disgust, fear

I can't believe this really happened! It's so scary! - surprise, fear

How is this possible? I'm afraid to even imagine what will happen next! - surprise, fear

I can't believe someone would eat that! It's horrible!" - disgust, surprise

No emotions / other emotions

No emotions

This morning it was raining.

He read the book in two days.

I saw her yesterday on the street.

Other emotions

I am extremely annoyed with this mess!

My heart is breaking with pain :(

We finally did it :):) I'm just over the moon!

Main Instructions for the Second Project: Joy, Sadness, Anger

Select one or more emotions and their intensity in the text. If there are no emotions in the text or if there are emotions not represented in the list, select the No emotions / other emotions option.

Example

Joy

Low

Your smile makes my day.

Normal

This is one of the best gifts I have ever received.

It was very fun and wonderful, our vacation was a success!!!

High

We finally did it!!!!!! I'm just over the moon

We won!!! :):) I can't believe it happened!

Sadness

Low

It was a hard day for me.

Normal

I can't believe this happened to us...

High

My heart is breaking with pain :((

Anger

Low

It pisses me off

Normal

I am extremely annoyed with this mess!

High

This is absolutely unacceptable!!!

Examples with multiple emotions

We finally found the perfect place to stay, and it's even better than I could have imagined! - joy, surprise

Wow, how unexpected, this is the best gift I've ever received! - joy, surprise

I'm glad you came, but you're so damn late! - joy, anger

It's hard for me to accept that it ended this way, and I'm angry with you for it. - sadness, anger

It's so sad and depressing that our relationship ended because of your lies! - anger, sadness

No emotions / other emotions

This morning it was raining.

He read the book in two days.

I saw her yesterday on the street.

E Labels Co-occurrence Statistics

Additionally to the overall train, development, and test splits, we also report emotion co-occurrence within these splits, as shown in Figure 6. The majority of texts are labeled with a single emotion. However, approximately 6% of texts in the dataset are annotated with two or more emotions. Among the most frequent co-occurrences are Joy with Surprise and Disgust with Anger, reflecting natural patterns of emotional expression, though other combinations are also observed. A promising future direction for this work is the annotation of more fine-grained and diverse emotional texts, potentially supported by semi-automated methods using our released baseline model.

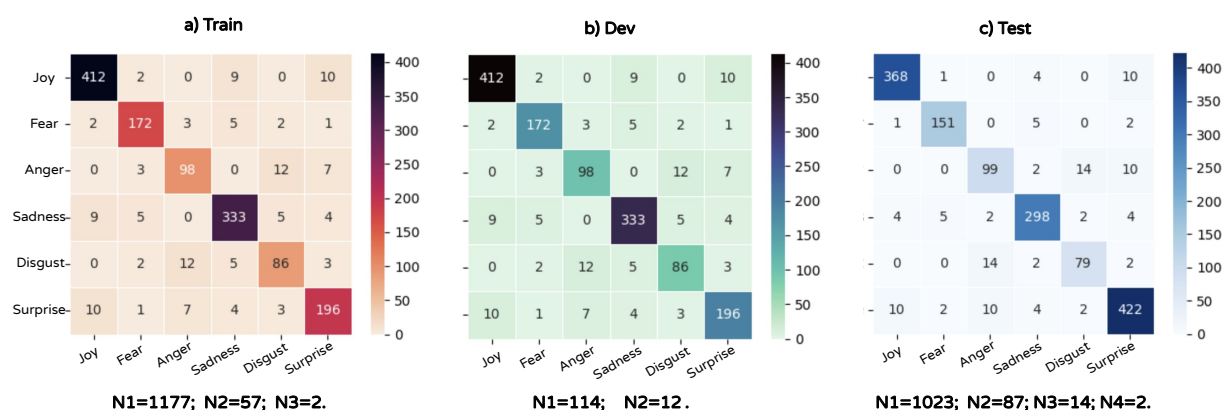


Figure 6: Labels co-occurrence statistics.

F ЕМОBENCH-UA Samples Examples

Emotion	Data Examples	Intensity
JOY	То так мило і гарно. <i>It's so nice and beautiful.</i>	LOW
	вже майже час слухаю співи, це справді шикарно*-* <i>I've been listening to the singing for almost an hour now, it's really great*-*</i>	MEDIUM
	І найголовніше, з Новим роком, пташки!!! <i>And most importantly, Happy New Year, birds!!!</i>	HIGH
FEAR	Бо я прокинулась, глянула в дзеркало і злякалась. <i>Because I woke up, looked in the mirror, and got scared.</i>	LOW
	Поспала годинку і почали снитись жахіття :(	MEDIUM
	<i>I slept for an hour and started having nightmares :(</i>	
	А в мене руки трусяться) !!! <i>And my hands are shaking) !!!</i>	HIGH
ANGER	Спілкувалась я з деякими, і от бісить і всьо тут <i>I talked to some of them, and this is what makes me angry</i>	LOW
	Ставте крапку, мати вашу я знав! <i>Put a stop to it, I knew your mother, damn it!</i>	MEDIUM
	Просто чоооорт, ну якого я такий ідіот?!?! <i>Why am I such an idiot?!?!</i>	HIGH
SADNESS	Але за дітками і їхніми обнімашки скучила. <i>But I missed my children and their hugs.</i>	LOW
	Не виходить смачний чай:// вкотре <i>I can't make delicious tea:// once again</i>	MEDIUM
	Але вона не живе зі мною ((((і я сумую. <i>But she doesn't live with me (((and I miss her.</i>	HIGH
DISGUST	В Києві душно, брудно, нудно і нема чим дихати. <i>Kyiv is stuffy, dirty, boring, and there is no air to breathe.</i>	LOW
	Гірлянди там галімі, а свічки смердючі. <i>The lights are crappy, and the candles are stinky.</i>	MEDIUM
	відповідь очевидна – там лайно, фууу!! <i>the answer is obvious - it's shit, ewww!</i>	HIGH
SURPRISE	не може бути, а чому? <i>it can't be, and why?</i>	LOW
	а що це, щоце? я шось не бачила такого? <i>what's this, what's this? I haven't seen anything like it?</i>	MEDIUM
	а я то думала...он воно що!! <i>and here I was thinking... but that's it!!!</i>	HIGH
NONE	Знову вертоліт над #lviv <i>Helicopter over #lviv again</i>	
	поки що не хочу дітей <i>i don't want children yet</i>	
	Гуляю собі галицьким селом тихою дорогою. <i>I'm walking along a quiet road in one Halychyna village.</i>	

Table 5: ЕМОBENCH-UA dataset examples per each emotions.

G LLMs Prompts for Emotions Classification

Here, we provide exact prompts used for LLMs prompting for emotion classification task in Ukrainian texts. We used two types of prompts: instructions in English and instructions in Ukrainian.

Prompt with Instructions in English

Evaluate whether the following text conveys any of the following emotions: joy, fear, anger, sadness, disgust, surprise.

If the text does not have any emotion, answer neutral.

One text can have multiple emotions.

Think step by step before you answer. Answer only with the name of the emotions, separated by comma.

Examples:

Text: Але, божечко, як добре вдома.

Answer: joy

Text: Я в п'ятницю признавалась в коханні і мене відшили!

Answer: sadness

Text: Починаю серйозно хвилюватись за котика.

Answer: fear

Text: Я тебе ненавиджу, п'яна як може бути!

Answer: anger

Text: Тут смердить і мальчіки з синім волоссям п'ють.

Answer: disgust

Text: А що, цей канал досі існує?

Answer: surprise

Text: Хочу вже наводити порядок в новому домі.

Answer: neutral

Text: input

Answer:

Prompt with Instructions in Ukrainian

Оціни, чи передає текст будь-які з цих емоцій: радість, злість, страх, сум, здивування, огида.

Якщо в тексті немає емоцій, відповідай нейтрально.

Один текст може викликати багато емоцій.

Думай крок за кроком, перш ніж відповідати. Відповідай тільки назвами емоцій розділених комою.

Приклади:

Текст: Але, божечко, як добре вдома.

Відповідь: радість

Текст: Я в п'ятницю признавалась в коханні і мене відшили!

Відповідь: сум

Текст: Починаю серйозно хвилюватись за котика.

Відповідь: страх

Текст: Я тебе ненавиджу, п'яна як може бути!

Відповідь: злість

Текст: Тут смердить і мальчіки з синім волоссям п'ють.

Відповідь: огида

Текст: А що, цей канал досі існує?

Відповідь: здивування

Текст: Хочу вже наводити порядок в новому домі.

Відповідь: нейтральна

Текст: input

Відповідь:

H Model hyperparameters

Here, we report the hyperparameters details for the utilized models.

Table 5 reports the tuned learning rates per each Transformer-encoder based models. Within all models, we used batch size 64, 50 epochs with early stopping callback 3 according to the accuracy of the evaluation. Many models stopped their training steps at 10th-15th epoch.

For LLMs, for generation, we used default hyperparameters per model with no additional changes.

Model	Learn. rate
LaBSE	1E-04
Geotrend-BERT	1E-04
mBERT	1E-05
UKR-RoBERTa Base	1E-05
XLM-RoBERTa Base	1E-05
XLM-RoBERTa Large	1E-05
Twitter-XLM-RoBERTa	1E-04
Glott500 Base	1E-06
Multilingual-E5 Large	1E-05
Multilingual-E5 Base	1E-05

Table 6: The best learning rate for the Transformer-encoder based models fine-tuned on original Ukrainian data.

I Confusion Matrices

Here, in addition to the main results, we also report the confusion matrices for the top performing models.

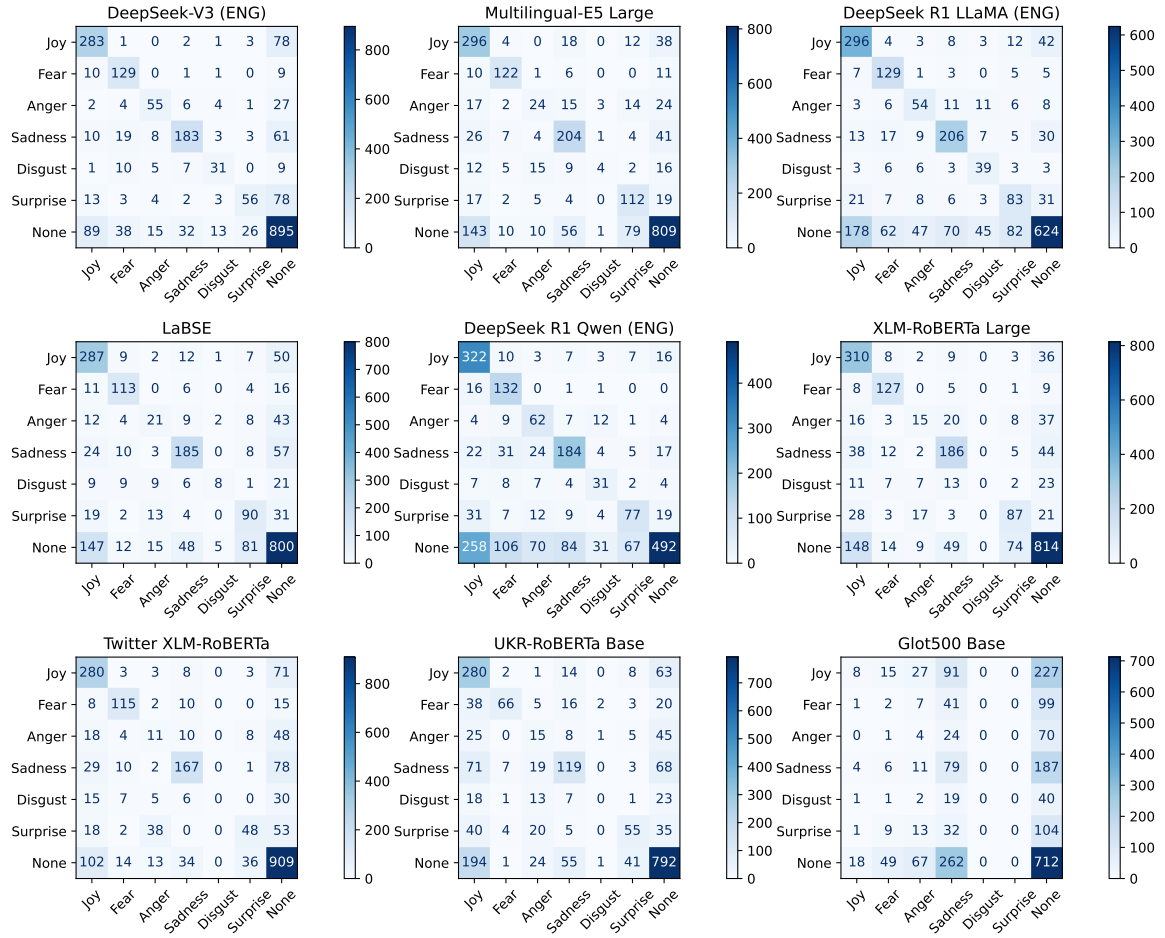


Figure 7: Confusion matrices of the top performing models fine-tuned on the EMOBENCH-UA training data.